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Compact Bad Idea

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The Interstate Medical Licensure Compact, is not going to solve the problem it claims to fix. It simply creates a new bureaucratic entity with little meaningful accountability.

1. They should work to remove the Certification requirement entirely.
2. Until they can remove the requirement they should a) allow other alternative certification and recertification boards like ABPS and NBPAS to meet the requirement and b) reinstate previously considered language allowing past certification to meet the requirement: "Currently holds, or has previously obtained specialty certification."

No single medical board in the United States requires such certification as a licensing requirement and the current wording creates a discriminatory process for physicians with time-limited certification. Not to mention, the existing nursing compact and model APRN compact require only one state license for practice in other compact states while the FSMB physician compact requires licenses in each individual state, along with payment of each individual license fee, thus limiting physician competitiveness with NPs who often make just as much for care.

Licensure should not be tied to the whims of organizations controlled by the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS). Such entities have been subjected to significant criticism regarding anti-competitive practices, financial impropriety, and misrepresentations about quality improvement due to certification and maintenance of certification.

By the ABIM's own admission "they got it wrong" {these would be Money Nazi's} and have repeatedly changed their recertification requirements. The Commission must ask if they will ever "get it right"?

The certification requirement is by no means the only problem with the Compact but is one of the main issues in this particular rule under consideration.

For more info about what's wrong with the Compact see: <https://goo.gl/3Fc2vb>

In case you don't know THE HISTORY, in brief, at the turn of the century.....

JD Rockefeller took note of George Merck's successful (and legal) hustling of cocaine and heroin products through his pharmacies.

This birthed him the notion of petroleum based pharmaceuticals. But first, to organize a disorganized industry.

1) Sponsor the Flexner Report = reduce the number of US medical schools by 1/2 - weed out them that won't go along with the game plan below -->

2) Control the medical education - teach 'em right from the first, indoctrinate 'em - get the universities hooked on the grant money tit for research and get insiders on the university boards.

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3) Control the doctors after they're educated. First, establish the Federation of Medical Boards, call the tune for the states to dance to, yank a doctor's license if he steps anywhere near close to out of line, set the tone for generations of "Nazi Doctor Bullies".

4) Control the "Voice of Medicine" - take over an ill membered doctor organization, put the right people in it, hype it, turn it in to a multi-million dollar operation - the AMA!

C'mon, Man!

**Sincerely,
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